

**Minutes of the Meeting of Milton Parish Council held on Monday 13 June 2005 at 7.30pm in the Bowls Pavilion**

**Present:** JE Coston (chair) PK Oldham EH Baker RH Chapman R Day M Ellwood  
RJ Farrington IF May J Payne HM Smith RT Summerfield  
County Councillor M Williamson  
The clerk SJ Daniels + 1 member of the public (part)

222/05 (178/05) **1 New Councillor** - JEC welcomed Jenny Payne, new councillor who signed the acceptance of office.

**Apologies for absence** - AJ Campbell B Jefferson CJ Lock RLE Waters

223/05 **2 Police Consultation in local villages**

JEC welcomed Acting Assistant Chief Constable Mark Hopkins.

The Home Office and the ODPM wanted to see "safer communities" where residents not only were safe but also felt safe. More PCSO's, neighbourhood policing and consultation with the public were part of this overall objective. MH was keen to promote public consultation. He intended discussing with CALC and JEC how best to do this and to use Milton as a pilot. He would like to meet Council again in six months.

Thanks to Mark for attending.

224/05 **3 Declarations of Interest**

Personal:

HMS – All planning items ( now a member of SCDC Planning Committee).

RHC – Item 5 parish priorities land (farms the Gonville & Caius land) and advertising on roundabout (a fund raiser for the Hospice).

PKO – Item 5 advertising roundabout (traffic issues Church Lane on Hospice Gala Day); also Country Park (dog owner).

Prejudicial:

IFM – Planning application by Cambridge Mencap.

The clerk – Planning application 31 Willow Crescent. Item 7 – clerk's salary.

225/05 **4 Minutes** - The minutes of the meeting of 9 May 2005 were approved and signed as a true record after a minor amendment.

**5 Clerk's/Chairman's Report**

226/05 (105/05) Standards Board – Code of Conduct Review – One comment: Councillors, if declaring a prejudicial interest, were more disadvantaged when speaking on planning issues than general members of the public.

227/05 (185/05) Parish Priorities – land – noted that Gonville & Caius College were unable to assist Council. The clerk would contact agent for the Rowing Trust and Carter Jonas (again) to find out if any land was available. **Action: the clerk**  
JEC would speak with College of West Anglia. **Action: JEC**

228/05 (186/05) Highways

1. Resurfacing works had been completed.

Atkins who supervised the works would look at Council's concerns re Winship Road junction and organise appropriate remedial action.

2. David Gilkes had agreed to cut back (at appropriate time) trees overhanging Old School Lane (opposite 54-60) as promised last Autumn. Council would then continue to maintain these trees.

3. Advertising banners Tesco roundabout – there was concern recently about advertising by the Hospice on the Tesco roundabout. PKO, having consulted with Councillors, had asked the Hospice to remove the banner.

A divergence of views emerged:

those opposed to any advertising on the roundabout on grounds of safety; and those who felt that this was special case.

JEC would be happy to talk with the Hospice in future if necessary.

Noted that Pine Warehouse advertisements had been erected on the roundabout recently. The clerk would ask the County Council to deal with these if a reoccurrence occurred.

4. Jointly Funded Highways Improvement – to be discussed at July meeting.

5. Two trees planted in 2003 behind the seat in memory of Jennifer Cox had disappeared. The clerk would report this as a crime. **Action: the clerk**

- 229/05 (188/05) Play Inspections – maypole swing had been disabled. Rob Chapman disconnected the two seats. The final chain link on each seat proved to be worn more than halfway through. This was far more dangerous than the suspected wood rot. Wicksteed, having “condemned” the piece of equipment, did not report this danger. Thanks to RHC for giving his time and that of his helper besides the use of specialist equipment, all free of charge, thus saving MPC several hundred pounds.
- 230/05 (201/05) Parish Office – the clerk had submitted a planning application and asked for quotes from four builders: CBS of Coton, Murfitt of Soham, Jaggard of Lode and IGM (Milton).
- 231/05 (202/05) Community Care – Tracey Ebbon and the clerk attended a meeting of Care Network about applying for CRB checks. Care Network bulletin received. Tesco had given Council a new wheelchair for community use. Clerk to write letter of thanks. **Action: the clerk**
- 232/05 (205/05) Country Park – SCDC were planning repairs to the paths (not complete resurfacing); auxiliary (dog) wardens were to be employed during the Summer, existing regulations re: dogs to stay in force; Tomkins Mead’s paths to have minimal repair work.
- 23305 July Meeting – to be held in the Community Centre.
- 23405 Landfill Liaison – meeting scheduled for 14 June at 5pm.
- 23505 Crime Figures – previously circulated.
- 236/05 (177/05) Service Level Agreement – Youth Centre – an amended copy was received. To be considered at July meeting.
- 6 Planning**
- 237/05 (85/05) Appeal – C Crickmore against refusal of permission for conversion of barn/stables into dwelling at Chesterton Fen Road.
- 238/05 Land adjacent A14 – Application by Balfour Beatty for a certificate of Lawfulness for offices, welfare facilities and materials/plant storage for A14 improvements received. The clerk to request that land be restored immediately after use. **Action: the clerk**
- Decisions received
- 239/05 (464/04) Cambridge Regional College – erection of business and training centre - **approved**. To be approved: materials for external walls and roofs and hard surfaced areas, surface water drainage, refuse storage accommodation, hard and soft landscaping scheme, provision of fire hydrant, cycle racks, details of area set aside for loading, unloading, parking and turning of construction vehicles on site. Proposed access road to be one-way.
- 240/05 (165/05) RG Boyd r/o 6 High Street – erection of one dwelling - **approved**. To be approved: application for reserved matters, siting of building, design external appearance and access, materials for external walls and roof, surface water drainage, foul sewage disposal, refuse storage accommodation, materials to be used for hard surfaced areas. Details of car parking, turning and loading (also for commercial premises 6-8 High Street), hard and soft landscaping, and treatment of site boundaries to be approved. Existing block of garages to be used for purposes ancillary to residential building – no business or trade to be carried out from building. No trees or hedges to be removed, lopped etc without prior approval by LPA. Permission granted for single storey only – no windows, doors or openings in northeast, northwest and southeast elevations unless prior approval granted. Conditions applied to period of construction work.
- 241/05 (171/05) Trinity College – Unit 250 Science Park – new laboratory service compound and external ductwork - **approved**. Scheme of hard and soft landscaping to be approved.

242/05  
(196/05) Christian Blind Mission International Winship Road - continuation of B1 Use without Compliance with Condition 2 pp S/1933/98 which restricts occupation of building to no more than 15 persons - **approved**.  
No more than 20 persons to occupy building without implementation of Green Travel Plan and provision of 17 covered cycle racks.

New Applications

243/05 S/0693/05 Mr & Mrs R Bellars 1 Lyndhurst Close – single storey extension – details of revised external materials – **for information only**

244/05 S/0867/05 Epson (UK) Ltd – Unit 9a Science Park – addition of external spiral staircase – **no recommendation** [delegated powers].

245/05 S/0876/05 Lafarge Aggregates Ltd – Cambridge Rail Head Chesterton Junction – use of land for operating a mobile concrete batching plant - **no recommendation** [delegated powers].

246/05 S/0944/05 K Wynn 31 Willow Crescent – outline application for new dwelling – **no recommendation**. Concerns about car parking provision. (The clerk left the meeting for this item).

247/05 S/1055/05 Cambridge Mencap – 2 Cambridge Road – extensions to existing offices – **no recommendation** (1 abstention). (IFM left the meeting for this item).  
Noted that Cambridge Mencap were offering more services and were looking to fill five more posts. Silver birch trees would be replaced with mature trees of same species.

248/05  
(201/05) S/1110/05 Parish Council Office – planning application being dealt with by SCDC.

249/05 **7 Finance** – the minutes of the Finance meeting of 25 May 2005 and the Internal Audit Report were received and noted.

**APPROVED:**

- Accounts for 2004-05
- Youth cleaner's Salary
- Clerk's Salary

The clerk and Councillor MW left the meeting for the item on clerk's salary.

250/05 **8 MCC Update**  
It had been agreed to install CCTV cameras at the Community Centre and car park. Costs for the scaled down improvements to the Community Centre and Annexe amounted to £230,000 including fees.  
MCC would seek Council's views on a loan.

251/05 **9 A14 Proposals**  
**AGREED** to send the following comments to the Highways Agency:  
“We are concerned about the environmental impact, noise and pollution.  
The elevated section over the railway and River Cam will cause excessive noise to Milton village (as it does already). We request a sound barrier and "whisper" tarmac. Perhaps tree screening should also be included.  
In addition a sound barrier and whisper tarmac should be considered near the Blackwall's caravan site to the west of Milton - between Milton and Histon.”

252/05 **10 Bills for Payment and Money Received**  
**CONFIRMED** payment of cheques 3039 – 3046 and 25 inc direct debit (minibus)  
**AGREED** to pay cheques 3047 – 3056  
Noted that the moles at the cemetery had been dealt with (cheque 3056).

253/05

**11 County Councillor’s Report**

Surgery with HMS and PC Shulver to be held on 4 July.

Cycle Bridge - MW was investigating possible conflict at junction with industrial estate and exit from cycle/foot bridge and also difficulties for cycles and trailers negotiating the A10 bridge. The suggestion (by a resident in a letter) that a safety net be considered at the Cycle / foot bridge was not considered feasible.

A10 - Traffic lights at Denny End junction had received approval.

254/05

**12 District Councillors’ Reports**

Council Tax Capping – agreed to take no action.

North Lodge – Conservation Officer had prompted the owners to take some action. The property (a listed building) was “on the market”.

LDF – more consultations on expansions in the area were scheduled.

Kings Hedges Road – a proposal to build a power station on land off Kings Hedges Road (near CRC) was being put forward.

Sewage Works – further improvements were possible.

**13 Correspondence**

Between Cambridge News and Daphne Spink, SCDC

- SCDC - Facilities Bank and Touring Film Kit Launch 23 June Sawston Village College
- SCDC - Result of Housing Needs Survey
- Council Tax Capping
- Carillion – URS - Proposed 60mph speed limit
- Cambs County Council - Directory of Childcare and Children’s Services
- CALC - Bulletin
- CCC - Cycle Network
- CCC/Peterborough City Council - Minerals and Waste Development Plan: Issues and Options Consultation
- Hammonds (Solicitor) - Transfer of Licence – Trinity Centre

**14 Dates of Next Meetings**

- Play 17 June**
- Planning 27 June**
- Finance 18 July 7pm**
- Council 18 July 7.30pm**

The meeting ended at 10.05pm.

Chairman.....Date.....